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Proposed amendments to the draft final report of the third session of the Preparatory Committee for the 2005 NPT Review Conference

Submitted by the Non-Aligned States and other States parties to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons

The Non-Aligned States and Other States Parties to the NPT propose the following amendments to the Draft Final Report of the Third Session of the Preparatory Committee for the 2005 NPT Review Conference:

- Insertion of a new para. 2 *bis* in the Draft Final Report, as follows:

2 *bis*. In accordance with the "2000 Review Conference of the Parties to the Treaty on the Non-proliferation of Nuclear Weapons, Final Document, Part I" (NPT/CONF.2000/28) and the decision on "Strengthening the Review Process for the Treaty" (NPT/CONF.1995/32/DEC.1), the third session of the Preparatory Committee has been mandated and tasked to undertake the following:

- "Each session of the Preparatory Committee should consider specific matters of substance relating to the implementation of the Treaty and Decisions 1 and 2, as well as the Resolution on the Middle East adopted in 1995, and the outcomes of subsequent Review Conferences, including developments affecting the operation and purpose of the Treaty."[1]

- "At its third and, as appropriate, fourth session, the Preparatory Committee, taking into account the deliberations and results of its previous sessions,

[1] Para. 5 under "*Improving the Effectiveness of the Strengthened Review Process for the Treaty*" in the Final Document, Vol.I Part I, of the 2000 NPT Review Conference (NPT/CONF.2000/28).

should make every effort to produce a consensus report containing recommendations to the Review Conference."[2]

- "States parties agreed that the procedural arrangements for the Review Conference should be finalized at the last session of the Preparatory Committee."[3]

- "The establishment of such subsidiary bodies would be recommended by the Preparatory Committee for each Review Conference in relation to the specific objectives of the Review Conference."[4]

- "The Conference calls on the Preparatory Committee to make recommendations to the 2005 Review Conference on this issue"[5] (of security assurances).

- In para. 9 of the Draft Final Report, request the inclusion of two additional NAM Member States in the list of the States parties participating in this third session of the Preparatory Committee, viz. Palau and Timor Leste.

- In para. 13 of the Draft Final Report, the deletion of the last sentence ("*The Committee ..... a precedent.")* and insertion a new para. 29 *bis* instead.

- Insertion of a new para. 29 *bis* in the Draft Final Report, as follows:

  29 *bis*. At its third session, the Preparatory Committee recommended that the practice applied during its third session for the participation of non-governmental organizations be applied during the proceeding of the 2005 Review Conference.

- Amendment of para. 38 (f) line 2 of the Draft Final Report, as follows:
  "....and Extension Conference and recommendations on the Middle East adopted by the 2000 NPT Review Conference, reflecting...."

- Amendment of para. 39 (d) line 1 of the Draft Final Report, by replacing "Organization of African Unity" with "African Union."

- In para. 41 line 1, the deletion of the word "also."

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[2] Para. 7 under "*Improving the Effectiveness of the Strengthened Review Process for the Treaty*" in the Final Document, Vol.I Part I, of the 2000 NPT Review Conference (NPT/CONF.2000/28).

[3] Para. 8 under "*Improving the Effectiveness of the Strengthened Review Process for the Treaty*" in the Final Document, Vol.I Part I, of the 2000 NPT Review Conference.

[4] Para. 6 under "*Decision 1: Strengthening the Review Process for the Treaty*" of the 2000 NPT Review Conference (NPT/CONF.1995/32/DEC.1).

[5] Para. 2 under "*Article VII and the security of non-nuclear-weapon States*" in the Final Document, Vol.I Part I, of the 2000 NPT Review Conference (NPT/CONF.2000/28).

- Replacement of para. 42 of the Draft Final Report with the following:

  In accordance with the "2000 Review Conference of the Parties to the Treaty on the Non-proliferation of Nuclear Weapons, Final Document, Part I" (NPT/CONF.2000/28) and the decision on "Strengthening the Review Process for the Treaty"

  (NPT/CONF.1995/32/DEC.1), and taking into account the deliberations and results of its previous sessions, the Preparatory Committee agreed to recommend:

  - that the 2005 Review Conference consider the further strengthening or enhancement of the review process, including with regard to the institutions of the Treaty.

  - the establishment of subsidiary bodies, in accordance with rule 34 of the draft Rules of Procedures for the 2005 Review Conference to consider, respectively, issues related to nuclear disarmament, safety and security of peaceful nuclear programmes, security assurances, regional issues with particular reference to the 1995 Resolution on the Middle East.

  - that the Review Conference consider the further strengthening or enhancement of the regular reports provided for in accordance with the 2000 Review Conference of the Parties to the Treaty on the Non-proliferation of Nuclear Weapons, Final Document.

  - that the Review Conference consider the steps and other actions that could be undertaken to promote disarmament and non-proliferation education, with particular reference to the Treaty on the Non-proliferation of Nuclear Weapons.